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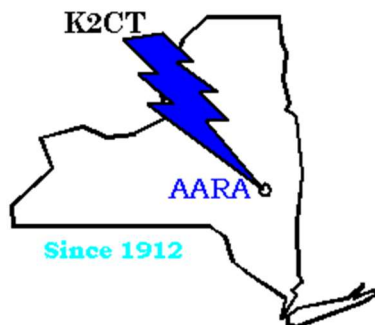
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B-PLUS SEPT 2019

AARA Meeting

Friday, Sept. 13 2019

Bethlehem Town Hall
445 Delaware Ave.
Delmar, NY 12054

Social Hour 6:30PM

Program 7:27PM

Refreshments

soda, coffee, water, cookies

AARA SEPT.

Ron Fish, KX1W, will
present a program on
the benefits of
ARRL Club Affiliation

Please PAY your Dues.

AARA Dues

Dues cheerfully accepted,
Dues are \$20.

B-PLUS Newsletter sent via the
K2CT Web page in .pdf format

Checks should be made out to
AARA and sent to:

Saul Abrams, K2XA
307 Maple Rd.
Slingerlands, NY 12159

www.k2ct.org

Bethlehem Town Hall
LAT 42°37'12.8"N
LONG 73°50'25.4"W

Washington Amateur Radio Club Volunteers Track Interfering Signals

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Volunteers from the Skagit Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Club (SARECC) in Anacortes, Washington, recently assisted the US Coast Guard in tracking the source of interference on VHF Marine Channel 5A (156.250 MHz). This channel serves the commercial Vessel Traffic Service north of Bush Point on Whidbey Island, as well as in some Canadian waters in the Strait of Juan de Fuca. The service offers monitoring and navigational assistance for ships in the region.

The club reports that the channel was unusable for 30 hours, forcing all traffic to other channels. SARECC volunteers promptly tracked down the source of the offending signal — a fishing vessel at the Squalicum Harbor fuel dock — and traffic on channel 5A was able to resume. Last fall, club volunteers were also able to pin down an interference problem for the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad. —
Thanks to Richard Rodriguez, WB6NAH

Contests

September 2019

MI QRP Labor Day CW Sprint	2300Z, Sep 2 to 0300Z, Sep 3
ARS Spartan Sprint	0100Z-0300Z, Sep 3
All Asian DX Contest, Phone	0000Z, Sep 7 to 2400Z, Sep 8
CWOpS CW Open	0000Z-2359Z, Sep 7
Wake-Up! QRP Sprint	0600Z-0800Z, Sep 7
SKCC Weekend Sprintathon	1200Z, Sep 7 to 2359Z, Sep 8
AGCW Straight Key Party	1300Z-1600Z, Sep 7
North American Sprint, CW	0000Z-0400Z, Sep 8
Swiss HTC QRP Sprint	1300Z-1900Z, Sep 8
4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Sep 9
FOC QSO Party	0000Z-2359Z, Sep 14
WAE DX Contest, SSB	0000Z, Sep 14 to 2359Z, Sep 15
Texas QSO Party	1400Z, Sep 14 to 2000Z, Sep 15
ARRL September VHF Contest	1800Z, Sep 14 to 0300Z, Sep 16
Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	0100Z-0300Z, Sep 16
AGB NEMIGA Contest	2100Z-2400Z, Sep 20
ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest	0600 local, Sep 21 to 2400 local, Sep 22
Scandinavian Activity Contest, CW	1200Z, Sep 21 to 1200Z, Sep 22
SRT HF Contest SSB	1300Z, Sep 21 to 1300Z, Sep 22
QRP Afield	1500Z, Sep 21 to 0300Z, Sep 22
New Hampshire QSO Party	1600Z, Sep 21 to 2200Z, Sep 22
New Jersey QSO Party	1600Z, Sep 21 to 0359Z, Sep 22
Washington State Salmon Run	1600Z, Sep 21 to 2400Z, Sep 22
North American Sprint, RTTY	0000Z-0400Z, Sep 22
144 MHz Fall Sprint	1900 local-2300 local, Sep 23
SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Sep 25
CQ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY	0000Z, Sep 28 to 2400Z, Sep 29
Maine QSO Party	1200Z, Sep 28 to 1200Z, Sep 29
AGCW VHF/UHF Contest	1400Z-1800Z, Sep 28

October 2019

German Telegraphy Contest	0700Z-0959Z, Oct 3
SARL 80m QSO Party	1700Z-2000Z, Oct 3
Oceania DX Contest, Phone	0800Z, Oct 5 to 0800Z, Oct 6
California QSO Party	1600Z, Oct 5 to 2159Z, Oct 6
FISTS Fall Slow Speed Sprint	1700Z-2100Z, Oct 5
ARS Spartan Sprint	0100Z-0300Z, Oct 8
10-10 Int. 10-10 Day Sprint	0001Z-2359Z, Oct 10
QRP ARCI Fall QSO Party	0000Z-2359Z, Oct 12
Makrothen RTTY Contest	0000Z, Oct 12 to 1559Z, Oct 13
Nevada QSO Party	0300Z, Oct 12 to 2100Z, Oct 13
Oceania DX Contest, CW	0800Z, Oct 12 to 0800Z, Oct 13
SKCC Weekend Sprintathon	1200Z, Oct 12 to 2359Z, Oct 13
Scandinavian Activity Contest, SSB	1200Z, Oct 12 to 1200Z, Oct 13
Pennsylvania QSO Party	1600Z, Oct 12 to 2200Z, Oct 13
Arizona QSO Party	1600Z, Oct 12 to 2359Z, Oct 13
FISTS Fall Unlimited Sprint	1700Z-2100Z, Oct 12
4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Oct 14

QST Congratulates its Key Competition Winners

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Ingenuity and craftsman abound within the Amateur Radio community, as shown in the results of the 2019 QST Key Competition. More than two dozen entries were submitted, and the judges gathered in late July to evaluate them. The competition sought Morse key and paddle designs in four categories: straight key, semiautomatic key (bug), paddle, and sideswiper. Each was a mechanical work of art, but there could only be four winners, who were chosen based on ingenuity of design, ergonomics of operation, and overall craftsmanship. The winners are:

Straight Key

Ron Spooner, W6FIF

Semiautomatic/Bug

Gary Johnson, NA6O

Paddle

Juergen Malner, NV1Q

Sideswiper

Stan Levandowski, WB2LQF



Participants had to submit their individual keys, which were returned following judging, as well as detailed construction drawings with dimensions, lists of materials, photos, and written descriptions.

<http://www.arrl.org/news/qst-congratulates-its-key-competition-winners>

The winner in each category will receive \$250.

Field Day Pictures

Below is the link to the 2019 Field Day photos that I took.
I will leave them up until next June.

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/1616qnkivrdn54/AABhfEmU-9Ijqy6WD91JRF4da?dl=0a>

Bud Hovey WF2B

Six meter antenna





Six meter antenna



Photos by Dave, KC2RPU



Spider antenna



40 meter beam going up



There was cake



Dinner was steaks again



and corn



Bruce, Ken,

Ria,

Bud



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We made it on TV



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